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## PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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In response to the Final Office Action of April 22, 2004, Applicant files the following Petition for a three month Extension of Time.

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## **REMARKS**

The shortened statutory due date for filing a response to this final Office action was July 22, 2004. Applicants petition under 37 CFR 1.17(a) for a three month extension of time and simultaneously files the appropriate fee herewith in order to extend the due date to October 22, 2004.

Applicants are proceeding to file a continuation-in-part application prior to the termination of the October 22, 2004 statutory date. And, Applicants hold open the option of responding to the subject Office Action until the October 22, 2004 statutory date.

Respectfully submitted,

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